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Date: **November 15, 2001**  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor(s): **Adolf Zajber and Thomas Fest**

FOR: **DUMMY BAR FOR A CONTINUOUS METAL CASTING PLANT, PARTICULARLY  
FOR A CONTINUOUS CASTING PLANT FOR PRELIMINARY STEEL SECTIONS**

**ENCLOSED ARE:**

- (X) Specification (11 pages), Claims (3 pages/10 claims) & Abstract;
- (X) One (1) sheet of Drawing; (Figure 1)
- (X) Declaration and Power of Attorney; **UNSIGNED**
- ( ) Assignment to SMS Demag Aktiengesellschaft;
- ( ) Certified copy of GermanPat.Appli.No: 100 56 911.0 filed Nov. 16, 2000  
the priority of which is claimed under 35 USC 119;
- ( ) Small Entity Status is being claimed. (37 CFR 1.9 & 1.27);
- (X) Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and 1 reference;

**THE FILING FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:**

|   | Claims filed | Extra | SMALL ENTITY | or | LARGE ENTITY |
|---|--------------|-------|--------------|----|--------------|
| Basic Fee                               |              |       | \$ 370.00    |    | \$ 740.00    |
| Total Claims                            | 10           | -20=  | x \$ 9.=     | x  | \$ 18.=      |
| Indep. Claims                           | 1            | - 3=  | x \$ 42.=    | x  | \$ 84.=      |
| ( ) Multiple Dependent Claim Presented? |              |       | x \$140.=    | x  | \$280.=      |

Respectfully submitted

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